

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A bag storage and holding apparatus for a recyclable or disposable handle bag.

The apparatus has a receptacle for storing handle bags for future use and in some embodiments it has a cover over the open top portion of the receptacle. The cover can be  
5 opened or closed. On each end of the receptacle is a rotatably mounted side arm, which can swing up or down through approximately 90 degrees. When the arms are in an approximately horizontal position, the apparatus is positioned for receiving a handle bag and maintaining it in an open position. Securing means, in the form of a locking tab, are provided to secure the side arms in an upward position. Each side arm has handle  
10 engaging means, preferably in the form of at least two upwardly projecting hooks with slots therein for retaining the bag in an open position for receipt of refuse.